

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of drawings include three (3) sheets containing copies of Fig. 5A, 5B, and 5C. These sheets replace the replacement three sheets containing Fig. 5(i) - 5(iii) submitted with applicant's Response filed September 29, 2006.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets containing Fig. 5A – 5C

REMARKS

With respect to the Notice Regarding Drawings mailed August 22, 2006, Applicants respectfully submit that the "drawings" filed April 29, 2002 were part of the Declaration of Stuart Naylor, filed together with a Response and Amendment in this application on April 29, 2002. Therefore, the drawings were part of a declaration submitted in the course of prosecution and were not drawings of the instant application.

Accordingly, the drawings are not in need of correction and so no replacement sheets are believed to be required. Applicants therefore respectfully submit that the second Notice Regarding Drawings mailed August 22, 2006 should be vacated.

The above information was communicated to Joshua Chase of the Office of Patent Publication (OPP), Publishing Division during a teleconference on October 19, 2006 between Mr. Chase and Applicants' representative. Mr. Chase acknowledged the information regarding the drawings with the Naylor Declaration and indicated that he would have the Notice "cleared" with OPP.

Mr. Chase further noted that the previously filed response (on September 29, 2006) to a Notice Regarding Drawings mailed August 1, 2006 still required replacement sheets that indicated Fig. 5(i) to 5(iii) to show Fig. 5A to 5C. Applicants thank Mr. Chase for suggesting and acknowledging that replacement sheets with this change may be filed with this response to the Notice mailed August 22, 2006.

Accordingly, Applicants prepared and now submit new copies of Fig. 5A to 5C, as shown on the attached three (3) sheets.

Applicants respectfully request that the attached three (3) sheets of drawing replacement sheets be made of record in the above-identified patent application. These drawings replace the corresponding sheets (sheets 5, 6, and 7) containing Fig. 5(i) to 5(iii) as filed with the Applicants' response of September 29, 2006.

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No new matter has been introduced, and entry of the replacement drawing sheets is respectfully requested.

If a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 858-350-6151.

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